

Watershed Planner Training

Final Step

Making Sense of all the
Work

“Application – Ready”

OUTLINE

for Iowa Water Quality Project Applications

- Also called Attachment 3
- <http://www.agriculture.state.ia.us/waterprojdev.htm>
- Provides format, required information and guidance

Three Parts

- Title Page and Executive Summary

Please try to make the title somewhat exclusive to watershed – Silver Lake (?) Bear Creek (?)

- Part I – Background

- Part II – Water Quality Protection Plan

Executive Summary

Application Cover Page or Attachment 2

at <http://www.agriculture.state.ia.us/waterprojdev.htm>

- Importance of waterbody
- What are the water quality problems – 303(d) list and why
- Goals
- Describe practices that will be promoted
- What area is being targeted – how was this determined
- Measure Progress

Part I – Background

page 2

- Alpha-numeric references – pg 4-13
provides expanded detail
- What is the Water Resource/Problems?
- What is the current pollutant loading?
- What are the W/S Characteristics?
- How many (x) need help?

Part II- Water Quality Protection

Plan — pg 2 -3

- 1. Goals — list as bullets
 - Should address wq problems identified
 - Should be realistic
 - Should address pollutant load (reduce sed. delivery by X%)
 - Address implementation of BMPs
 - Identify high priority/critical areas
 - I/E goals

Part II cont. - WQ Protection Plan

- 2. What will the project do?
 - BMPs, benefit, costs, cost-share
 - Staffing details
 - *Describe Assessment* Tell us what you found, how you are going to use the information, what and why are the priorities. Include GIS maps, but explain.
 - Landowner interest
 - Monitoring and I/E components

Part II cont. - WQ Protection Plan

- 3. Iowa's NPSMP
- 4. TMDL status and coordination
- 5. Schedule
- 6. Measures of Success
 - Load reductions, attitudes, increase/decrease in practice/activity/behavior, photos, wq monitoring
- 7. Evaluation and Feedback
 - Reports, review progress, local input, changes made if needed

Part II cont. - WQ Protection Plan

- 8. Participating Agencies/Organizations
- 9. Reports – what reports will be produced
- 10. Budget
- 11. Elements of a Watershed Plan – pg 13